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MONTANA LABOR MARKET

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EMPLOYMENT OUTLOOK, LABOR SUPPLY, LABOR DEMAND, CURRENT EMPLOYMENT

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Seasonal Employment Decline 500 Below Ten-Year Average

The decline in non-farm employment between January and February was figured at 1,100 workers compared to an average of 1,600 between these points during the past ten years. A total of 159,800 workers were on industrial and commercial payrolls at mid February, 7,300 more than a year ago according to estimates compiled by the Commission in cooperation with the U. S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. More workers on construction, trade and government payrolls were chiefly responsible for the gain from a year ago.

Four Industries Decline

Of the eight major industrial groups which make up the basic structure of the Montana economy, January to February employment losses were recorded in four segments. The biggest drop occurred in the manufacturing industry, down 600. The non-durable goods group absorbed 500 of this loss, while a drop of 100 in durable goods was all in lumber manufacturing. Government payrolls were minus 300 workers, trade industries declined by 200, and contract construction was down 100. Employment in mining, tranrsportation and utilities, and financial, insurance, and real estate remained the same as in January. The only increase during February occurred in the service industries group which added 100 workers to payrolls.

Five Ahead of Year Ago

Comparison with employment of a year ago shows a net gain of 7,300, including the 2,400 on metal mining payrolls who were absent last year because of the metal mining strike. The gain here is not real, but merely a statistical one. The largest real gains over a year ago are centered in contract construction up 3,100; gov't., up 2,000; and trade industries, up 900. These gains were strong enough to outweigh losses of 800 in manufacturing, 400 in service industries, and 300 in the transportation and utilities group.

Montana Faces Real Employment Challenge; Total Unemployment Estimated at 37,400

The Montana labor market picture during February was like a cloudy sky. There was some gray, but if you looked hard enough, you could find a few bright spots. Although non-farm employment during February was highest of record for that month, so was unemployment. According to the best estimates and sampling methods available, 37,400 idle Montanans were waiting for the forces of spring to provide opportunities that would get them back to work. Of this number, 23,445 were registered at the state's 22 local employment offices, and 19,252 of them were claiming unemployment insurance benefits on February 15. The balance of this large reservoir of idle workers included those who could no longer claim unemployment benefits because their claim series were exhausted, farm workers and others excluded from coverage by the UCC Law, younger workers, and other new entrants to the labor market.

Montana's total civilian labor force on February 15, 1961 was estimated at 258,600. Of this number, 14.4% were unemployed. The ranks of the jobless rose by 27,100 workers from last September when unemployment in the state, both industrial and farm, was at the peak. The continuing persistence of such an overabundance of unemployment plus the increasing numbers of workers who are unemployed for longer periods of time presents serious economic problems that cannot be easily overlooked.

The present state of the economy, held over from the effects of the 1957-58 downturn, is disturbing. Several thousand jobs have been eliminated, especially in mining and lumbering. Unemployment has continued to increase and Montana's job base has not grown sufficiently to absorb these experienced workers or the newcomers to the hiring lines. The spring job shape-up is yet a month away. It is too early to determine its initial scope and power. The skilled and experienced workers will be the first added to payrolls as the seasonal upturn in employment begins. The hard core of unemployment will undoubtedly remain in the unskilled and untrained worker groups.

Employment Series Revised

A supplement to this edition contains annual revisions of employment estimates, hours and earnings, and labor turnover rates, plus a replacement series from 1947 to date based on the 1957 Standard Industrial Classification. The series may be considered practically continuous from 1947 to date. Additional copies are available as long as the limited supply lasts.

LABOR TURNOVER RATES IN MANUFACTURING AND MINING INDUSTRIES
(per 100 employees)

INDUSTRY	ACCESSION RATE						SEPARATION RATE								
	Total			New Hire			Total			Quit			Layoff		
	1) Jan 1961	2) Dec 1960	Jan. 1960	Jan. 1961	Dec. 1960	Jan. 1960	Jan. 1961	Dec. 1960	Jan. 1960	Jan. 1961	Dec. 1960	Jan. 1960	Jan. 1961	Dec. 1960	Jan. 1960
3) All Manufacturing	2.8	2.4	4)	1.7	1.4	4)	3.9	3.9	4)	.8	.9	4)	2.4	2.0	4)
Durable Goods	3.6	3.0	4)	2.1	1.5	4)	5.1	4.5	4)	.9	.7	4)	3.3	2.5	4)
Primary Metal	4.7	3.6	4)	3.7	.8	4)	5.6	5.3	4)	.7	.4	4)	3.5	1.7	4)
3) Nondurable Goods	1.4	1.2	1.4	.9	1.1	1.1	1.7	2.6	2.7	.7	1.1	.7	.9	1.1	1.6
All Mining	2.9	1.7	4)	2.0	1.2	4)	12.7	4.3	4)	1.0	1.6	4)	10.2	.6	4)
Metal Mining	1.4	1.2	4)	.4	.4	4)	18.1	4.7	4)	.6	1.4	4)	16.0	.6	4)

1) Preliminary rates based on all data available at publication time. 2) Figures previously revised on more complete returns.
3) Excludes sugar and canning industries. Total separations include discharges and miscellaneous separations.
4) Data not available due to strike in metal mining and primary metals a year ago.

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Along the Hiring Line—Field Summary, March 1

ANACONDA, Deer Lodge, Philipsburg—(699 jobseekers, 57 new, 575 men, 124 women). Over 350 workers idled at smelter operations since layoffs started last December; half of this employment decline occurred during February. Reduction of smelter force caused layoffs in other industry segments, especially trade and service. Construction of super market only major building project.

BILLINGS, Columbus, Hardin, Hysham, Laurel, Red Lodge, Roundup—(3,791 jobseekers, 605 new, 2,813 men, 978 women). Major building projects include parking garage and additions to shopping center, college and bank. Bids for main contract at Yellowtail Dam to be opened April 11; if acceptable, work expected to start six weeks thereafter with peak employment projected at from 1,200 to 1,500. Employment uptrend starting to show in trucking industries, but railroad force reductions continue in face of railroad mergers talk. Trade and service volume in Billings proper at fairly good levels. Smaller towns in Billings area not faring as well with employment levels and job prospects below a year ago. Farm labor demand not up to normal.

BOZEMAN, Ennis, Three Forks, Trident—(699 jobseekers, 107 new, 479 men, 190 women). Variety of construction includes 22 homes, expansion of facilities at Trident Cement plant, $2 million in building construction at State College. Work on $500,000 road project continues as weather permits. Stock piling of lumber for early spring shipment should keep sawmill operations steady, but logging on reduced scale because of large stock piles.

BUTTE, Virginia City, Whitehall—(2,682 jobseekers, 123 new, 2,017 men, 665 women). Some rehiring for underground and pit-mining operations noted last month, offsetting some of the loss of 700 earlier layoffs. No appreciable upturn in mining employment forecast next 60 days. Main street business at minimum with worker cutbacks in most establishments. Hiring at banks, insurance, and real estate channels practically nil. No new construction starts seen for next 30 days.

CUT BANK—(454 jobseekers, 74 new, 353 men, 101 women). Labor market patterns stalled while awaiting spring upturn. Construction practically at standstill. Oil field activity normal for this time of the year with intermittent hires and layoffs, depending on weather conditions. Main street business slow with hiring chiefly for replacements only.

DILLON—(348 jobseekers, 68 new, 249 men, 99 women). Main farm activities connected to lambing and calving operations with wages ranging from $6 to $10 per day. 40 men employed, on 2 shifts, on relocation of railroad near projected dam site. 20 craftsmen working on new homes in a development expected to reach 100 units in 2 years. New $500,000 junior high school two-thirds completed with present work mostly on inside.

GLASGOW, Fort Peck, Malta, Opheim—(951 jobseekers, 103 new, 684 men, 267 women). Construction employment at air base reduced to less than 200 with current projects nearly completed. Letting of contracts for new base facilities and offbase housing units should develop into good employment prospects by May. Main street business about normal and on a par with last year.

GLENDIVE, Circle, Wibaux—(350 jobseekers, 59 new, 262 men, 88 women). Job prospects in most industrial groups at seasonal low, but good signs evident for spring upturn. New wholesale and retail business opened during the month. Early reopening of drive-in cafes and roadside stands started for the season. New motel is near completion.

GREAT FALLS, Choteau, Fort Benton, Stanford—(3,098 jobseekers, 581 new, 2,251 men, 847 women). Most February job openings came from trade industries sparked by opening of new cafes and series of early conventions. Placement of professional and clerical workers up 30% over last year. Awarding of major contract for construction of Minuteman Missile Complex will advance construction employment totals during March. Initial work force of from 500 to 750 expected with employment edging up gradually to a peak of 3,000 by late summer. Local and state labor supplies adequate to meet project demands. In-migration of out-of-state workers is discouraged.

HAMILTON, Stevensville—(685 jobseekers, 49 new, 587 men, 98 women). Job opportunities limited in most categories during February. High log inventories kept most loggers idle, but recall of some mill workers occurred. The seasonal lull in outdoor activities communicated to the basically stable industry groups generally weakening the whole economy.

HAVRE, Chinook, Harlem—(694 jobseekers, 53 new, 553 men, 141 women). Practically no change in labor market conditions from last month. Job prospects at minimum in most major industrial groups. Outlook for March not too bright. No new construction, building or highway, yet in sight. Main street business in trade and service circles very poor.

HELENA, Boulder, Garrison, Townsend, White Sulphur Springs—(1,095 jobseekers, 170 new, 823 men, 272 women). Labor demand during February chiefly for clerical, sales, and service occupations. Erratic patterns prevailed in construction employment with intermittent hiring and work suspensions as conditions warranted. Force reductions at one East Helena smelter continued with 20 layoffs during February. A mill and cabinet shop reduced its crew by 8 workers.

KALISPELL, Columbia Falls, Eureka, Libby, Whitefish—(2,198 jobseekers, 153 new, 1,720 men, 478 women). Area unemployment continues to rise with further layoffs in lumbering, construction, and service industries. No change in present labor market complexion expected next 30 days. Spring breakup conditions and imposed load limits still keeping lumbering operations at the bare minimum.

LEWISTOWN, Harlowton, Ryegate, Winnet—(546 jobseekers, 96 new, 446 men, 100 women). Hiring in industry and farm up over a year ago. Most non-farm job placements made in trade, construction, and manufacturing units. Work on missile silos in area to start soon and should result in expansion of most payroll groups. Local labor supply adequate to fill present and immediate future demands.

LIVINGSTON, Big Timber—(713 jobseekers, 90 new, 532 men, 181 women). Area labor supply swelled by idled railroad workers and in-migration of transient workers seeking employment on interstate highway project. Downturn in lumbering employment was balanced by increased hiring

LABOR MARKET INDICATORS

Employment—	1961 Feb.	1961 Jan.	1960 Feb.	1952-61 Feb. Avg.
Industrial Employment	159,800	160,900	152,500	151,010
New Job Applicants	3,176	4,589	3,972	3,624
Job Applicants, End of Month	23,445	22,670	23,066	16,771
Insured Unemployment, Week of	**Mar. 3 1961**	**Feb. 3 1961**	**Mar. 4 1960**	**Avg. 1st Mar. Wk. 1957-61**
New and Renewal Claims	1,469	1,970	2,119	1,471
Unemployed Weeks Filed	18,071	16,610	16,087	16,066
Total Unemployment Claims	19,540	18,580	18,206	17,531

NINE YEARS OF MONTANA INDUSTRIAL EMPLOYMENT TOTALS, BY MONTHS (in Thousands)*

	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Aver.
1953	147.1	145.9	147.9	151.5	155.2	161.0	162.2	164.1	163.2	162.2	159.9	157.9	156.5
1954	148.8	147.6	149.4	153.4	158.0	164.1	166.6	167.8	157.1	156.1	160.3	158.0	157.2
1955	150.6	149.0	149.6	155.6	160.7	169.2	170.6	172.9	171.7	168.3	164.7	162.7	162.1
1956	156.6	154.4	156.3	163.0	169.3	177.4	177.4	179.8	177.2	174.6	170.4	166.7	168.6
1957	156.8	155.0	156.8	161.3	166.0	172.0	174.2	174.2	170.8	167.4	163.2	159.9	164
1958	153.1	150.3	150.5	156.4	162.4	167.1	170.2	172.2	170.0	168.8	165.8	162.4	162.3
1959	155.3	153.2	155.9	162.2	167.5	174.0	177.5	179.2	169.9	165.6	161.5	159.4	165.1
1960	152.7	152.5	156.1	163.4	167.9	175.2	176.3	176.3	174.8	171.5	168.0	165.2	166.6
1961	160.9	159.8**											

* Estimates revised on the basis of more complete and accurate figures for industry segments not covered under the Unemployment Insurance Program. **Preliminary Estimate.

Employment In Non-Agr

INDUSTRY	1959 Jan.	F
NON-AGRI. INDUSTRIES	155.3	15
Manufacturing	19.5	1
Durable Goods	12.0	1
Lumber & Timber prod.	6.9	
Primary Metals	3.8	
Other (2)	1.3	
Nondurable Goods	7.5	
Food & Kindred prod.	3.9	
Prtg. & Publishing	1.6	
Petroleum Refining	.9	
Other (3)	1.1	
Mining	8.7	
Metal Mining	5.7	
Quarrying & Nonmetallic Mining, Inc. Coal	.7	
Petroleum-Nat. Gas prod.	2.3	
Contract Construction	7.6	
Contractors, Bldg. cons.	2.8	
Contractors, Other than Building	1.7	
Contractors, Spec. Trade	3.1	
Transportation and Utilities	18.6	1
Interstate Railroads	9.2	
Trans. except Railroads	3.7	
Utilities, inc. Comm.	5.7	
Trade	37.4	3
Wholesale Trade	8.1	
Retail Trade	29.3	2
Gen. Merch & Apparel	5.5	
Food	4.5	
Restaurants	6.7	
Auto. & Filling Sta.	6.2	
Retail Trade, N.E.C	6.4	
Finance, Ins. & Real Estate	6.2	
Service & Miscellaneous	21.2	2
Hotels, Rooming Houses, Camps, etc.	2.3	
Personal Services	2.1	
Other (4)	16.8	
Government	36.1	
Federal	8.7	
State and Local	27.4	
Great Falls Area (Cascade Co.)		
Total Non-Agri. Ind.	19.3	
Total Manufacturing	2.9	
Contract Const.	1.6	
Total Trans. & Util.	2.1	
Total Trade	5.3	
Total Serv. & Miscel. (5)	4.3	
Total Government	3.1	

(1) Includes all full and part-time wage
Excludes proprietors, armed forces
(2) Includes fabricated metal products,
(3) Includes apparel, chemicals, and mi
(4) Includes commercial trade schools,
and recreation, medical and health,
fied.
(5) Same as (4) above, also includes m

nings, Weekly Hours, Hourly Earnings, In Selected Montana Industries (1)

NTHS (Final Estimates Through December 31, 1960)

AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS

	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	1960 Aver.
37	$94.77	$92.58	$98.55	$96.68	$95.34	$97.36	$97.32	$98.57	$98.49	$95.94	$95.55
46	91.96	90.24	94.07	95.84	92.69	94.95	97.51	95.74	93.31	91.14	93.36
61	99.31	94.53	96.23	96.14	97.36	90.64	95.31	95.55	99.10	98.95	96.53
92	100.10	97.64	105.45	99.84	101.49	102.75	96.50	99.48	103.66	100.86	99.82
59	86.05	85.44	83.74	85.44	86.11	91.19	80.40	89.65	93.94	90.41	85.90
58	104.80	99.71	101.09	108.05	103.86	104.28	105.46	105.85	102.05	106.39	103.74
**	100.74	98.53	96.89	108.24	102.96	103.09	104.25	102.43	101.79	105.07	101.79
31	99.34	98.87	97.16	99.64	96.92	100.30	99.02	96.12	101.41	99.42	97.48
59	116.22	117.22	110.28	115.37	108.05	112.27	107.37	103.34	108.53	110.24	109.37
46	88.48	86.91	87.46	88.37	89.08	92.28	93.06	90.32	96.29	92.34	89.77

AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS

	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	1960 Aver.
7	39.0	38.1	39.9	39.3	38.6	39.9	39.4	40.9	40.2	39.0	39.0
7	39.3	38.4	40.2	40.1	38.3	39.4	39.8	39.4	38.4	37.2	38.9
9	40.7	38.9	39.6	39.4	39.9	36.4	38.9	39.0	39.8	39.9	39.4
1	38.5	37.7	39.2	38.4	39.8	41.6	38.6	41.8	41.8	41.0	39.3
9	40.4	40.3	39.5	40.3	41.8	44.7	40.2	44.6	45.6	44.1	41.7
8	40.0	39.1	39.8	41.4	40.1	39.8	40.1	40.4	39.4	40.3	39.9
*	39.2	39.1	38.6	41.0	39.0	37.9	38.9	38.8	39.0	39.5	39.0
6	39.5	38.8	38.7	39.1	38.9	39.1	39.6	38.6	40.8	38.8	39.2

AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS

	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	1960 Aver.
4	2.43	2.43	2.47	2.46	2.47	2.44	2.47	2.41	2.45	2.46	2.45
7	2.34	2.35	2.34	2.39	2.42	2.41	2.45	2.43	2.43	2.45	2.40
6	2.44	2.43	2.43	2.44	2.44	2.49	2.45	2.45	2.49	2.48	2.45
7	2.60	2.59	2.69	2.60	2.55	2.47	2.50	2.38	2.48	2.46	2.54
2	2.13	2.12	2.12	2.12	2.06	2.04	2.00	2.01	2.06	2.05	2.06
8	2.62	2.55	2.54	2.61	2.59	2.62	2.63	2.62	2.59	2.64	2.60
*	2.57	2.52	2.51	2.64	2.64	2.72	2.68	2.64	2.61	2.66	2.61
4	2.24	2.24	2.26	2.26	2.29	2.36	2.35	2.34	2.36	2.38	2.29

Mining

LABOR TURNOVER RATES (1)

(per 100 employees)

ALL MANUFACTURING

	1960 Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	1960 Aver.
Total (2)													
Accessions	*	*	N. A.	7.5	6.3	7.2	3.9	6.0	3.0	2.9	1.5	2.4	*
New Hires	*	*	2.6	4.7	4.5	5.1	2.6	3.6	2.5	2.3	1.3	1.4	*
Total (3)													
Separations	*	*	4.9	5.6	4.6	4.1	5.5	5.8	7.6	3.9	3.4	3.9	*
Quits	*	*	1.2	1.9	1.7	1.8	2.1	2.6	3.7	1.4	1.1	.9	*
Lay-offs	*	*	2.4	1.4	1.0	1.9	2.6	1.6	2.4	1.6	1.2	2.0	*

DURABLE GOODS

	1960 Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	1960 Aver.
Total (2)													
Accessions	*	*	N. A.	8.3	8.0	7.6	4.5	7.3	3.7	3.1	1.7	3.0	*
New Hires	*	*	3.0	4.6	5.3	5.1	3.2	4.3	3.0	2.1	1.3	1.5	*
Total (3)													
Separations	*	*	5.9	6.8	5.4	4.0	6.2	5.5	9.6	4.0	3.9	4.5	*
Quits	*	*	1.1	2.1	1.9	1.8	2.1	2.7	4.5	1.1	1.0	.7	*
Lay-offs	*	*	3.4	2.1	1.0	1.7	3.1	1.7	2.9	1.7	1.5	2.5	*

PRIMARY METALS

	1960 Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	1960 Aver.
Total (2)													
Accessions	*	*	N. A.	8.6	6.0	4.6	3.9	7.8	2.3	4.0	1.1	3.6	*
New Hires	*	*	4.8	4.5	2.6	2.0	1.7	.7	.6	1.1	.8	.8	*
Total (3)													
Separations	*	*	4.0	7.3	8.6	2.1	7.5	3.7	12.0	3.5	3.2	5.3	*
Quits	*	*	1.1	1.5	1.9	1.3	1.3	1.7	3.5	.6	.4	.4	*
Lay-offs	*	*	.8	.1	.5	.4	5.5	1.9	4.1	.7	.6	1.7	*

NON-DURABLE GOODS

	1960 Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	1960 Aver.
Total (2)													
Accessions	1.4	4.8	2.7	5.9	3.3	6.6	2.6	3.2	1.7	2.4	1.2	1.2	3.1
New Hires	1.1	1.0	2.1	4.8	3.0	5.0	1.6	2.3	1.4	2.3	1.2	1.1	2.2
Total (3)													
Separations	2.7	1.6	3.2	3.6	3.2	4.3	4.0	6.4	3.7	3.3	2.6	2.6	3.4
Quits	.7	.7	1.4	1.6	1.3	1.8	2.0	2.3	2.0	1.8	1.5	1.1	1.5
Lay-offs	1.6	.5	.8	.3	1.0	2.3	1.6	1.2	1.4	1.4	.6	1.1	1.2

ALL MINING

	1960 Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	1960 Aver.
Total (2)													
Accessions	*	*	11.7	11.5	7.9	7.0	7.7	7.6	8.0	2.7	2.5	1.7	*
New Hires	*	*	2.2	3.2	3.3	2.2	3.1	2.5	3.5	.9	1.4	1.2	*
Total (3)													
Separations	*	*	16.0	4.9	6.0	5.7	6.3	5.2	6.7	3.6	2.6	4.3	*
Quits	*	*	9.8	3.5	2.4	2.4	3.9	2.5	3.1	1.0	1.0	1.6	*
Lay-offs	*	*	4.4	.3	1.1	.5	1.1	.4	.3	.3	.5	.6	*

METAL MINING

	1960 Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	1960 Aver.
Total (2)													
Accessions	*	*	18.0	14.9	7.5	7.1	7.5	7.9	7.6	3.4	2.9	1.2	*
New Hires	*	*	1.3	3.2	1.9	1.4	1.2	.9	1.5	.9	1.0	.4	*
Total (3)													
Separations	*	*	23.5	4.6	6.0	6.2	8.2	4.8	7.0	3.6	2.9	4.7	*
Quits	*	*	15.6	2.9	2.7	2.8	5.2	2.3	2.7	1.1	1.0	1.4	*
Lay-offs	*	*	6.3	.4	.1	.2	1.2	.2	.1	.2	.2	.6	*

(1)—Rates are based on data for entire calendar month.
(2)—"All Manufacturing" and "Nondurable Goods" exclude canning and sugar industries.
(3)—"Total Separations" include discharges and miscellaneous separations.
* —Data not available due to industry-wide labor dispute in metal mining and primary metals.
N. A.—Not Available.

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Employment In Non-Agricultural Industries In Montana Industries (1)*

BY MAJOR INDUSTRIES AND MONTHS (Revision of 1960 Estimates)

INDUSTRY	1960 Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Juoe	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	1960 Aver.
	EMPLOYMENT IN THOUSANDS												
NON-AGRI. INDUSTRIES	**152.7**	**152.5**	**156.1**	**163.4**	**167.9**	**175.2**	**176.3**	**176.3**	**174.8**	**171.5**	**168.0**	**165.2**	**166.7**
Manufacturing	**18.7**	**18.7**	**19.6**	**19.3**	**20.0**	**21.1**	**21.0**	**21.4**	**21.4**	**21.3**	**20.5**	**19.4**	**20.2**
Durable Goods	11.0	11.4	12.2	11.9	12.5	13.4	13.4	13.9	13.4	12.9	12.5	11.9	12.5
Lumber & Timber prod.	7.3	7.2	6.7	6.3	6.9	7.6	7.7	8.0	7.8	7.5	7.2	6.7	7.2
Primary Metals	2.3	2.8	4.1	4.1	4.0	4.1	4.0	4.2	3.9	3.8	3.8	3.7	3.7
Other (2)	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.5	1.6	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.6	1.5	1.5	1.6
Nondurable Goods	7.7	7.3	7.4	7.4	7.5	7.7	7.6	7.5	8.0	8.4	8.0	7.5	7.7
Food & Kindred prod.	4.2	3.8	3.8	3.9	4.0	4.1	4.2	4.3	4.7	5.2	4.9	4.4	4.3
Prtg. & Publishing	1.7	1.6	1.7	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6
Petroleum Refining	.9	.9	.9	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.0	.9	1.0	.9	.9	.9	1.0
Other (3)	.9	1.0	1.0	.9	.9	.9	.8	.7	.7	.7	.6	.6	.8
Mining	**4.9**	**4.9**	**7.0**	**7.5**	**7.7**	**8.0**	**8.1**	**7.9**	**7.8**	**7.7**	**7.8**	**7.7**	**7.3**
Metal Mining	2.1	2.2	4.4	4.9	5.0	5.1	5.1	5.0	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.5
Quarrying & Nonmetallic Mining, Inc. Coal	.7	.7	.7	.7	.7	.7	.7	.7	.8	.8	.8	.7	.7
Petroleum-Nat. Gas prod.	2.1	2.0	1.9	1.9	2.0	2.2	2.3	2.2	2.2	2.1	2.2	2.2	2.1
Contract Construction	**7.2**	**6.9**	**7.1**	**10.2**	**12.1**	**13.5**	**14.0**	**14.2**	**14.4**	**13.9**	**12.8**	**10.9**	**11.4**
Contractors, Bldg. cons.	3.0	2.7	2.7	4.0	4.8	5.6	5.6	5.8	5.9	5.9	5.5	4.4	4.
Contractors, Other than Building	1.2	1.2	1.4	2.6	3.3	3.5	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.5	2.5	2.0	2.7
Contractors, Spec. Trade	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.6	4.0	4.4	4.6	4.6	4.7	4.5	4.8	4.5	4.1
Transportation and Utilities	**18.4**	**18.4**	**18.4**	**19.0**	**19.4**	**19.8**	**19.8**	**19.8**	**19.4**	**18.5**	**18.4**	**18.2**	**19.0**
Interstate Railroads	8.7	8.7	8.7	9.0	9.3	9.5	9.6	9.6	9.3	8.6	8.6	8.5	9.1
Trans. except Railroads	3.8	3.8	3.8	4.0	4.0	4.1	4.1	4.1	4.0	3.9	3.9	3.8	3.9
Utilities, inc. Comm.	5.9	5.9	5.9	6.0	6.1	6.2	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.0	5.9	5.9	6.0
Trade	**38.3**	**38.1**	**38.3**	**40.0**	**41.0**	**42.1**	**42.6**	**42.7**	**42.3**	**40.8**	**40.4**	**41.2**	**40.6**
Wholesale Trade	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.6	8.7	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.9	8.7	8.8	8.4	8.6
Retail Trade	29.8	29.6	29.8	31.4	32.3	33.3	33.8	33.9	33.4	32.1	31.6	32.8	32.0
Gen. Merch & Apparel	5.6	5.4	5.4	5.9	5.8	6.1	6.3	6.3	6.2	6.2	6.2	7.3	6.1
Food	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.9	4.8	5.0	5.0	5.0	4.8	4.9	4.9	4.8
Restaurants	6.8	6.8	6.9	7.6	8.1	8.7	8.9	9.1	8.6	7.6	7.3	7.2	7.7
Auto. & Filling Stu.	6.3	6.3	6.4	6.6	6.7	6.9	6.9	6.9	6.9	6.8	6.7	6.6	6.7
Retail Trade, N.E.C	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.7	6.8	6.8	6.7	6.6	6.7	6.7	6.5	6.8	6.7
Finance, Ins. & Real Estate	**6.7**	**6.7**	**6.7**	**6.7**	**6.8**	**6.8**	**6.8**	**6.8**	**6.8**	**6.9**	**6.9**	**6.8**	**6.8**
Service & Miscellaneous	**21.8**	**21.9**	**21.9**	**22.4**	**22.7**	**23.9**	**25.0**	**24.3**	**23.3**	**22.5**	**22.1**	**22.0**	**22.8**
Hotels, Rooming Houses, Camps, etc.	2.3	2.4	2.4	2.7	2.8	3.9	4.1	4.0	3.3	2.6	2.6	2.3	3.0
Personal Services	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.3	2.2	2.3	2.2	2.2	2.1	2.2	2.2
(Other (4)	17.4	17.4	17.4	17.6	17.8	17.7	18.7	18.0	17.8	17.7	17.4	17.5	17.6
Government	**36.7**	**36.9**	**37.1**	**38.3**	**38.2**	**40.0**	**39.0**	**39.2**	**39.4**	**39.9**	**39.1**	**39.0**	**38.6**
Federal	8.7	8.6	8.7	9.7	9.4	10.8	11.1	10.8	9.9	9.7	9.3	9.4	9.7
State and Local	28.0	28.3	28.4	28.6	28.8	29.2	27.9	28.4	29.5	30.2	29.8	29.6	28.9
Great Falls Area (Cascade County)													
Total Non-Agri. Ind.	18.3	18.4	19.4	20.2	20.5	21.0	21.2	21.8	21.7	21.4	21.1	21.0	20.5
Total Manufacturing	1.8	1.8	2.9	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.2	3.1	3.1	3.0	3.0	2.8
Contract Const.	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.8	1.9	2.1	2.4	2.6	2.8	2.6	2.5	2.1	2.1
Total Trans. & Util.	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.1	2.2	2.1	2.1	2.0	2.0	1.9	1.9	2.0
Total Trade	5.4	5.4	5.3	5.5	5.5	5.7	5.7	5.8	5.7	5.6	5.6	5.9	5
Total Serv. & Miscel. (5)	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.6	4.7	4.7	4.8	4.7	4.6	4.6	4.6	4
Total Government	3.3	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.4	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.4

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Employment In Non-Agricultural Industries In Montana Industries (1) (Continued)

INDUSTRY	1959 Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	1959 Aver.
	EMPLOYMENT IN THOUSANDS												
NON-AGRI. INDUSTRIES	**155.3**	**153.2**	**155.9**	**162.2**	**167.5**	**174.0**	**177.5**	**179.2**	**169.9**	**165.6**	**161.5**	**159.4**	**165.1**
Manufacturing	**19.5**	**19.2**	**19.1**	**19.3**	**20.1**	**21.1**	**22.2**	**22.4**	**19.1**	**19.2**	**18.9**	**18.4**	**19.9**
Durable Goods	12.0	11.9	11.8	11.8	12.5	13.5	14.3	14.5	11.3	10.7	10.6	10.5	12.1
Lumber & Timber prod.	6.9	6.9	6.7	6.4	7.0	7.8	8.3	8.5	8.1	7.6	7.7	7.5	7.5
Primary Metals	3.8	3.7	3.8	3.9	3.9	4.0	4.2	4.2	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.5	3.1
Other (2)	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.5	1.6	1.7	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.7	1.5	1.5	1.5
Nondurable Goods	7.5	7.3	7.3	7.5	7.6	7.6	7.9	7.9	7.8	8.5	8.3	7.9	7.8
Food & Kindred prod.	3.9	3.7	3.7	3.8	3.9	4.1	4.3	4.4	4.4	5.2	5.0	4.6	4.3
Prtg. & Publishing	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.7	1.7	1.6	1.6	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7
Petroleum Refining	.9	.9	.9	1.0	1.0	.9	1.0	1.0	1.0	.9	.9	.9	.9
Other (3)	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.0	.9	1.0	.9	.7	.7	.7	.7	.9
Mining	**8.7**	**8.7**	**8.8**	**9.0**	**8.9**	**9.1**	**9.3**	**9.4**	**5.6**	**5.5**	**5.3**	**5.1**	**7.8**
Metal Mining	5.7	5.7	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.9	5.9	6.0	2.2	2.1	2.1	2.1	4.6
Quarrying & Nonmetallic Mining, Inc. Coal	.7	.7	.7	.7	.7	.7	.7	.7	.8	.8	.8	.7	.7
Petroleum-Nat. Gas prod.	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.5	2.4	2.5	2.7	2.7	2.6	2.6	2.4	2.3	2.5
Contract Construction	**7.6**	**6.8**	**8.0**	**10.9**	**12.6**	**14.2**	**15.2**	**15.4**	**15.0**	**13.2**	**10.8**	**9.5**	**11.6**
Contractors, Bldg. cons.	2.8	2.3	3.1	4.3	4.9	5.7	6.3	6.4	6.1	5.3	4.4	3.9	4.6
Contractors, Other than Building	1.7	1.6	1.8	2.8	3.7	4.1	4.2	4.4	4.2	3.5	2.4	1.9	3.0
Contractors, Spec. Trade	3.1	2.9	3.1	3.8	4.0	4.4	4.7	4.6	4.7	4.4	4.0	3.7	4.0
Transportation and Utilities	**18.6**	**18.5**	**18.5**	**19.0**	**19.6**	**20.2**	**20.4**	**20.3**	**19.9**	**19.4**	**19.2**	**18.9**	**19.4**
Interstate Railroads	9.2	9.1	9.1	9.3	9.7	9.9	10.1	9.9	9.7	9.2	9.2	9.0	9.4
Trans. except Railroads	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.8	3.9	4.1	4.1	4.2	4.1	4.2	4.0	3.9	4.0
Utilities, inc. Comm.	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.9	6.0	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.1	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0
Trade	**37.4**	**36.8**	**37.7**	**39.0**	**40.3**	**41.6**	**42.5**	**43.0**	**41.8**	**41.1**	**41.2**	**41.3**	**40.3**
Wholesale Trade	8.1	7.9	8.0	8.3	8.4	8.5	8.8	8.9	8.7	9.0	9.1	8.8	8.5
Retail Trade	29.3	28.9	29.7	30.7	31.9	33.1	33.7	34.1	33.1	32.1	32.1	32.5	31.8
Gen. Merch & Apparel	5.5	5.4	5.6	5.6	5.8	5.8	5.8	6.0	5.9	6.0	6.1	6.8	5.8
Food	4.5	4.5	4.6	4.6	4.7	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.8	5.1	4.9	4.8
Restaurants	6.7	6.6	6.8	7.2	7.9	8.4	8.8	9.0	8.6	7.5	7.3	7.1	7.7
Auto. & Filling Sta.	6.2	6.1	6.2	6.5	6.6	6.9	7.0	7.0	6.7	6.7	6.6	6.6	6.6
Retail Trade, N.E.C.	6.4	6.3	6.5	6.8	6.9	7.1	7.2	7.2	7.0	7.1	7.0	7.1	6.9
Finance, Ins. & Real Estate	**6.2**	**6.3**	**6.3**	**6.4**	**6.4**	**6.5**	**6.7**	**6.8**	**6.7**	**6.6**	**6.6**	**6.6**	**6.5**
Service & Miscellaneous	**21.2**	**21.1**	**21.5**	**22.0**	**22.5**	**23.5**	**24.2**	**24.5**	**23.7**	**22.4**	**22.1**	**22.2**	**22.6**
Hotels, Rooming Houses, Camps, etc.	2.3	2.3	2.4	2.7	2.9	3.9	4.2	4.2	3.6	2.8	2.6	2.5	3.0
Personal Services	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.2	2.2	2.1	2.1	2.3	2.3	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.2
Other (4)	16.8	16.7	17.0	17.1	17.4	17.5	17.9	18.0	17.8	17.5	17.4	17.6	17.4
Government	**36.1**	**35.8**	**36.0**	**36.6**	**37.1**	**37.8**	**37.0**	**37.4**	**38.1**	**38.2**	**37.4**	**37.4**	**37.0**
Federal	8.7	8.4	8.5	8.9	9.2	10.0	10.4	10.5	10.2	9.4	9.1	9.1	9.3
State and Local	27.4	27.4	27.5	27.7	27.9	27.8	26.6	26.9	27.9	28.8	28.3	28.3	27.7
Great Falls Area (Cascade Co.)													
Total Non-Agri. Ind.	19.3	18.8	19.6	20.2	20.8	21.0	21.4	21.7	20.2	19.5	19.1	19.0	20.1
Total Manufacturing	2.9	2.9	3.0	3.1	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.3	2.0	1.9	1.9	1.9	2.7
Contract Const.	1.6	1.3	1.7	2.0	2.1	2.3	2.4	2.4	2.3	2.2	1.9	1.6	2.0
Total Trans. & Util.	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.2	2.2	2.3	2.3	2.2	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.2
Total Trade	5.3	5.2	5.3	5.5	5.7	5.7	5.8	6.0	5.9	5.6	5.5	5.6	5.6
Total Serv. & Miscel. (5)	4.3	4.2	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.6	4.5	4.5	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4
Total Government	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.2	3.2	3.1	3.2	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.4	3.2

(1) Includes all full and part-time wage and salary workers who worker or received pay during the pay period ending nearest the 15th of the month. Excludes proprietors, armed forces personnel, domestic help and self-employed.

(2) Includes fabricated metal products, machinery except electrical, furniture, stone and clay products.

(3) Includes apparel, chemicals, and miscellaneous manufacturing of non-durable products.

(4) Includes commercial trade schools, auto repair services and garages, miscellaneous repair services and hand trades, motion pictures, amusements and recreation, medical and health, law offices and professional services, non-profit membership organizations, and business not otherwise classified.

(5) Same as (4) above, also includes mining, finance, insurance, and real estate.

Average Weekly Earnings, Weekly Hours, Hourly Earnings, In Selected Montana Industries (1)

BY MONTHS (Final Estimates Through December 31, 1960)

AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS

	1960 Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	1960 Aver.
All Manufacuring	**$93.45**	**$96.87**	**$94.77**	**$92.58**	**$98.55**	**$96.68**	**$95.34**	**$97.36**	**$97.32**	**$98.57**	**$98.49**	**$95.94**	**$95.55**
Durable Goods	94.17	96.46	91.96	90.24	94.07	95.84	92.69	94.95	97.51	95.74	93.31	91.14	93.36
Primary Metals	**	100.61	99.31	94.53	96.23	96.14	97.36	90.64	95.31	95.55	99.10	98.95	96.53
Nondurable Goods	93.24	97.92	100.10	97.64	105.45	99.84	101.49	102.75	96.50	99.48	103.66	100.86	99.82
Food	76.86	84.59	86.05	85.44	83.74	85.44	86.11	91.19	80.40	89.65	93.94	90.41	85.90
All Mining	**106.71**	**110.68**	**104.80**	**99.71**	**101.09**	**108.05**	**103.86**	**104.28**	**105.46**	**105.85**	**102.05**	**106.39**	**103.74**
Metal Mining	**	**	100.74	98.53	96.89	108.24	102.96	103.09	104.25	102.43	101.79	105.07	101.79
All Trans., Utl., etc.	**96.32**	**94.81**	**99.34**	**98.87**	**97.16**	**99.64**	**96.92**	**100.30**	**99.02**	**96.12**	**101.41**	**99.42**	**97.48**
Trans., Except Railroads	112.92	107.59	116.22	117.22	110.28	115.37	108.05	112.27	107.37	103.34	108.53	110.24	109.37
Utilities & Comm.	86.69	86.46	88.48	86.91	87.46	88.37	89.08	92.28	93.06	90.32	96.29	92.34	89.77

AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS

	1960 Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	1960 Aver.
All Manufacuring	**38.3**	**39.7**	**39.0**	**38.1**	**39.9**	**39.3**	**38.6**	**39.9**	**39.4**	**40.9**	**40.2**	**39.0**	**39.0**
Durable Goods	39.4	40.7	39.3	38.4	40.2	40.1	38.3	39.4	39.8	39.4	38.4	37.2	38.9
Primary Metals	**	40.9	40.7	38.9	39.6	39.4	39.9	36.4	38.9	39.0	39.8	39.9	39.4
Nondurable Goods	37.0	38.1	38.5	37.7	39.2	38.4	39.8	41.6	38.6	41.8	41.8	41.0	39.3
Food	36.6	39.9	40.4	40.3	39.5	40.3	41.8	44.7	40.2	44.6	45.6	44.1	41.7
All Mining	**41.2**	**41.3**	**40.0**	**39.1**	**39.8**	**41.4**	**40.1**	**39.8**	**40.1**	**40.4**	**39.4**	**40.3**	**39.9**
Metal Mining	**	**	39.2	39.1	38.6	41.0	39.0	37.9	38.9	38.8	39.0	39.5	39.0
Utilities & Comm.	38.7	38.6	39.5	38.8	38.7	39.1	38.9	39.1	39.6	38.6	40.8	38.8	39.2

AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS

	1960 Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	1960 Aver.
All Manufacuring	**2.44**	**2.44**	**2.43**	**2.43**	**2.47**	**2.46**	**2.47**	**2.44**	**2.47**	**2.41**	**2.45**	**2.46**	**2.45**
Durable Goods	2.39	2.37	2.34	2.35	2.34	2.39	2.42	2.41	2.45	2.43	2.43	2.45	2.40
Primary Metals	**	2.46	2.44	2.43	2.43	2.44	2.44	2.49	2.45	2.45	2.49	2.48	2.45
Nondurable Goods	2.52	2.57	2.60	2.59	2.69	2.60	2.55	2.47	2.50	2.38	2.48	2.46	2.54
Food	2.10	2.12	2.13	2.12	2.12	2.12	2.06	2.04	2.00	2.01	2.06	2.05	2.06
All Mining	**2.59**	**2.68**	**2.62**	**2.55**	**2.54**	**2.61**	**2.59**	**2.62**	**2.63**	**2.62**	**2.59**	**2.64**	**2.60**
Metal Mining	**	**	2.57	2.52	2.51	2.64	2.64	2.72	2.68	2.64	2.61	2.66	2.61
Utilities & Comm.	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.26	2.26	2.29	2.36	2.35	2.34	2.36	2.38	2.29

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loyment In Non-Agricultural Industries In Montana Industries (1)*

BY MAJOR INDUSTRIES AND MONTHS (Revision of 1960 Estimates)

	1960	EMPLOYMENT IN THOUSANDS											1960
	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Aver.
TRIES	152.7	152.5	156.1	163.4	167.9	175.2	176.3	176.3	174.8	171.5	168.0	165.2	166.7
	18.7	18.7	19.6	19.3	20.0	21.1	21.0	21.4	21.4	21.3	20.5	19.4	20.2
	11.0	11.4	12.2	11.9	12.5	13.4	13.4	13.9	13.4	12.9	12.5	11.9	12.5
nber prod.	7.3	7.2	6.7	6.3	6.9	7.6	7.7	8.0	7.8	7.5	7.2	6.7	7.2
ls	2.3	2.8	4.1	4.1	4.0	4.1	4.0	4.2	3.9	3.8	3.8	3.7	3.7
	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.5	1.6	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.6	1.5	1.5	1.6
ods	7.7	7.3	7.4	7.4	7.5	7.7	7.6	7.5	8.0	8.4	8.0	7.5	7.7
red prod.	4.2	3.8	3.8	3.9	4.0	4.1	4.2	4.3	4.7	5.2	4.9	4.4	4.3
shing	1.7	1.6	1.7	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6
fining	.9	.9	.9	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.0	.9	1.0	.9	.9	.9	1.0
	.9	1.0	1.0	.9	.9	.9	.8	.7	.7	.7	.6	.6	.8
	4.9	4.9	7.0	7.5	7.7	8.0	8.1	7.9	7.8	7.7	7.8	7.7	7.3
	2.1	2.2	4.4	4.9	5.0	5.1	5.1	5.0	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.5
nmetallic													
Coal	.7	.7	.7	.7	.7	.7	.7	.7	.8	.8	.8	.7	.7
Gas prod.	2.1	2.0	1.9	1.9	2.0	2.2	2.3	2.2	2.2	2.1	2.2	2.2	2.1
tion	7.2	6.9	7.1	10.2	12.1	13.5	14.0	14.2	14.4	13.9	12.8	10.9	11.4
g. cons.	3.0	2.7	2.7	4.0	4.8	5.6	5.6	5.8	5.9	5.9	5.5	4.4	4.
ier (han													
	1.2	1.2	1.4	2.6	3.3	3.5	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.5	2.5	2.0	2.7
c. Trade	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.6	4.0	4.4	4.6	4.6	4.7	4.5	4.8	4.5	4.1
l Utilities	18.4	18.4	18.4	19.0	19.4	19.8	19.8	19.8	19.4	18.5	18.4	18.2	19.0
oads	8.7	8.7	8.7	9.0	9.3	9.5	9.6	9.6	9.3	8.6	8.6	8.5	9.1
ailroads	3.8	3.8	3.8	4.0	4.0	4.1	4.1	4.1	4.0	3.9	3.9	3.8	3.9
mm.	5.9	5.9	5.9	6.0	6.1	6.2	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.0	5.9	5.9	6.0
	38.3	38.1	38.3	40.0	41.0	42.1	42.6	42.7	42.3	40.8	40.4	41.2	40.6
:	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.6	8.7	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.9	8.7	8.8	8.4	8.6
	29.8	29.6	29.8	31.4	32.3	33.3	33.8	33.9	33.4	32.1	31.6	32.8	32.0
Apparel	5.6	5.4	5.4	5.9	5.8	6.1	6.3	6.3	6.2	6.2	6.2	7.3	6.1
	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.9	4.8	5.0	5.0	5.0	4.8	4.9	4.9	4.8
	6.8	6.8	6.9	7.6	8.1	8.7	8.9	9.1	8.6	7.6	7.3	7.2	7.7
g Sta.	6.3	6.3	6.4	6.6	6.7	6.9	6.9	6.9	6.9	6.8	6.7	6.6	6.7
N.E.C	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.7	6.8	6.8	6.7	6.6	6.7	6.7	6.5	6.8	6.7
al Estate	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.9	6.9	6.8	6.8
ncons	21.8	21.9	21.9	22.4	22.7	23.9	25.0	24.3	23.3	22.5	22.1	22.0	22.8
; Houses,													
	2.3	2.4	2.4	2.7	2.8	3.9	4.1	4.0	3.3	2.6	2.6	2.3	3.0
s	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.3	2.2	2.3	2.2	2.2	2.1	2.2	2.2
	17.4	17.4	17.4	17.6	17.8	17.7	18.7	18.0	17.8	17.7	17.4	17.5	17.6
	36.7	36.9	37.1	38.3	38.2	40.0	39.0	39.2	39.4	39.9	39.1	39.0	38.6
	8.7	8.6	8.7	9.7	9.4	10.8	11.1	10.8	9.9	9.7	9.3	9.4	9.7
	28.0	28.3	28.4	28.6	28.8	29.2	27.9	28.4	29.5	30.2	29.8	29.6	28.9
y)													
Ind.	18.3	18.4	19.4	20.2	20.5	21.0	21.2	21.8	21.7	21.4	21.1	21.0	20.5
	1.8	1.8	2.9	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.2	3.1	3.1	3.0	3.0	2.8
	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.8	1.9	2.1	2.4	2.6	2.8	2.6	2.5	2.1	2.1
	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.1	2.2	2.1	2.1	2.0	2.0	1.9	1.9	2.0
	5.4	5.4	5.3	5.5	5.5	5.7	5.7	5.8	5.7	5.6	5.6	5.9	6.
	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.6	4.7	4.7	4.8	4.7	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.
nt	3.3	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.4	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.4

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	Non-Agri. Industries Total	Finance, Ins. & Real Estate	Service & Misc.	Other Service & Misc.	Total Gov.	Federal Gov.
Jan. 1947	128.9	3.5	15.8	11.2	24.7	7.6
February	128.7	3.5	16.0	11.4	24.9	7.6
March	129.7	3.5	16.2	11.5	25.3	7.6
April	132.0	3.6	16.2	11.5	25.8	7.8
May	136.4	3.6	17.0	11.9	26.0	8.0
June	140.4	3.6	17.8	12.0	26.4	8.8
July	144.9	3.7	18.4	12.1	26.3	9.2
August	144.9	3.7	18.5	12.1	26.0	9.0
September	143.6	3.6	18.5	12.4	25.9	8.4
October	143.8	3.7	18.0	12.8	25.6	8.1
November	142.9	3.7	18.1	12.9	25.1	7.7
December	142.8	3.7	18.0	12.9	25.3	7.9
1947 Avg.	**138.2**	**3.6**	**17.4**	**12.0**	**25.6**	**8.1**
Jan. 1948	135.8	3.7	16.9	12.4	25.3	7.4
February	133.5	3.7	16.9	12.4	25.4	7.5
March	134.7	3.7	17.0	12.5	25.7	7.5
April	138.8	3.7	17.5	12.5	26.1	7.8
May	142.5	3.8	17.8	12.6	26.6	8.0
June	148.4	3.9	18.6	12.6	27.2	8.8
July	151.7	3.8	18.9	12.6	27.3	9.2
August	153.1	3.8	19.0	12.7	27.4	9.2
September	153.6	3.8	19.2	13.0	27.6	8.6
October	151.7	3.8	18.5	13.0	27.5	8.3
November	151.1	3.8	18.4	13.0	27.2	7.9
December	148.8	3.8	18.4	13.2	27.6	8.2
1948 Avg.	**145.3**	**3.8**	**18.1**	**12.7**	**26.7**	**8.2**
Jan. 1949	138.7	3.8	18.2	13.4	27.5	7.8
February	137.1	3.8	18.0	13.2	27.4	7.8
March	139.2	3.8	18.3	13.4	27.4	7.7
April	145.7	3.9	18.9	13.8	27.6	7.9
May	149.1	3.9	19.3	13.8	27.8	8.1
June	153.5	3.9	20.3	14.0	28.3	8.9
July	152.9	4.0	20.2	13.8	28.3	9.3
August	153.0	4.0	20.3	13.9	28.6	9.2
September	152.1	4.0	19.8	13.8	28.8	8.6
October	150.3	4.0	19.0	13.9	28.5	8.3
November	147.9	3.9	18.9	14.0	27.9	7.9
December	144.5	4.0	18.6	13.9	28.1	8.2
1949 Avg.	**147.0**	**3.9**	**19.1**	**13.7**	**28.0**	**8.3**
Jan. 1950	134.8	3.9	18.2	13.7	27.6	7.7
February	134.0	3.9	18.1	13.6	27.6	7.7
March	136.9	3.9	18.5	13.9	27.7	7.7
April	143.5	4.0	19.1	14.1	28.0	7.9
May	149.0	4.1	19.7	14.4	28.3	8.1
June	156.1	4.2	20.9	14.5	28.9	8.9
July	158.0	4.2	20.6	14.3	29.3	9.3
August	160.0	4.2	20.3	14.0	29.2	9.2
September	159.3	4.2	20.3	14.3	29.5	8.8
October	154.4	4.2	19.3	14.1	27.9	8.4
November	152.5	4.2	18.7	13.7	27.4	8.0
December	149.9	4.2	18.7	13.7	27.8	8.3
1950 Avg.	**149.0**	**4.1**	**19.3**	**14.0**	**28.3**	**8.3**

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	Non-Agri. Industries Total	Finance, Ins. & Real Estate	Service & Misc.	Other Service & Misc.	Total Gov.	Federal Gov.
Jan. 1951	143.5	4.3	18.2	13.6	27.6	7.8
February	141.0	4.2	18.0	13.4	27.4	7.8
March	141.8	4.3	18.2	13.4	27.5	7.7
April	147.6	4.4	18.8	13.9	27.7	7.9
May	151.2	4.4	19.3	13.9	27.2	8.2
June	156.7	4.5	20.2	14.0	28.0	9.1
July	156.5	4.5	20.1	13.9	27.7	9.6
August	157.6	4.5	20.4	14.1	27.2	9.5
September	156.7	4.6	20.5	14.6	27.5	8.9
October	154.5	4.5	19.1	13.9	27.6	8.6
November	153.4	4.5	18.8	13.9	28.7	8.2
December	151.7	4.6	18.9	14.0	29.0	8.5
1951 Avg.	**151.0**	**4.4**	**19.2**	**13.9**	**27.8**	**8.5**
Jan. 1952	142.0	4.6	18.4	13.7	27.7	8.1
February	142.4	4.5	18.1	13.3	28.2	8.0
March	144.6	4.6	18.4	13.5	28.6	8.0
April	151.1	4.7	18.9	13.8	28.7	8.2
May	156.6	4.8	19.4	13.9	29.0	8.5
June	162.7	4.9	20.7	14.3	29.8	9.4
July	162.9	4.9	21.1	14.4	29.7	9.9
August	164.5	5.0	21.2	14.5	29.3	9.8
September	163.0	5.0	21.2	14.7	29.5	9.3
October	160.2	4.9	20.1	14.5	29.5	8.9
November	157.8	4.9	19.8	14.4	28.9	8.6
December	156.2	4.9	19.7	14.5	29.9	8.9
1952 Avg.	**155.3**	**4.8**	**19.7**	**14.1**	**29.1**	**8.8**
Jan. 1953	147.1	5.0	18.9	14.0	28.2	8.3
February	145.9	5.0	19.0	14.1	28.0	8.4
March	147.9	5.0	19.4	14.4	28.4	8.5
April	151.5	5.0	19.9	14.6	28.6	8.7
May	155.2	5.0	20.4	14.8	28.6	9.0
June	161.0	5.1	21.7	15.1	29.6	9.9
July	162.2	5.3	21.6	14.9	29.4	10.4
August	164.1	5.3	21.9	15.3	29.6	10.2
September	163.2	5.1	21.6	15.5	30.0	9.6
October	162.2	5.1	20.4	15.1	30.5	9.2
November	159.9	5.0	20.0	15.0	30.2	8.9
December	157.9	5.1	19.7	14.9	30.4	9.2
1953 Avg.	**156.5**	**5.1**	**20.4**	**14.8**	**29.3**	**9.2**
Jan. 1954	148.8	5.0	19.3	14.8	30.0	8.7
February	147.6	5.0	19.3	14.8	30.0	8.7
March	149.4	5.0	19.6	15.0	30.5	8.9
April	153.4	5.3	20.2	15.2	30.9	9.1
May	158.0	5.3	20.6	15.3	31.2	9.3
June	164.1	5.4	21.6	15.4	32.0	10.4
July	166.6	5.4	22.0	15.6	31.7	10.4
August	167.8	5.4	22.0	15.7	31.3	10.0
September	157.1	5.3	21.4	15.6	30.8	9.2
October	156.1	5.1	20.7	15.4	30.6	9.0
November	160.3	5.1	20.3	15.3	29.8	8.7
December	158.0	5.3	20.0	15.1	30.0	9.1
1954 Avg.	**157.2**	**5.2**	**20.6**	**15.3**	**30.7**	**9.3**

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	Non-Agri. Industries Total	Finance, Ins. & Real Estate	Service & Misc.	Other Service & Misc.	Total Gov.	Federal Gov.
Jan. 1955	150.6	5.3	19.6	15.0	29.4	8.4
February	149.0	5.3	19.6	15.0	29.2	8.4
March	149.6	5.3	19.7	15.1	29.5	8.4
April	155.6	5.4	20.6	15.7	30.2	8.6
May	160.7	5.5	21.0	15.8	30.6	8.9
June	169.2	5.6	22.2	16.0	32.4	10.1
July	170.6	5.6	22.5	16.0	31.7	10.1
August	172.9	5.9	22.7	16.2	31.9	10.0
September	171.7	5.8	22.8	16.7	31.8	9.1
October	168.3	5.7	21.6	16.4	31.7	8.9
November	164.7	5.7	21.2	16.3	31.0	8.6
December	162.7	5.7	21.0	16.3	31.5	9.4
1955 Avg.	**162.1**	**5.6**	**21.2**	**15.8**	**30.9**	**9.1**
Jan. 1956	156.6	5.7	20.8	16.3	30.7	8.3
February	154.4	5.7	20.8	16.3	30.6	8.3
March	156.3	5.8	21.1	16.4	31.0	8.3
April	163.0	5.8	21.9	16.9	31.8	8.5
May	169.3	5.9	22.3	17.0	32.8	9.0
June	177.4	6.1	23.7	17.2	33.8	10.0
July	177.4	6.1	23.8	17.1	32.9	10.0
August	179.8	6.1	23.9	17.4	33.0	10.0
September	177.2	6.0	23.2	17.4	33.1	9.3
October	174.6	6.0	22.1	17.0	33.8	9.0
November	170.4	6.0	21.7	16.8	32.4	8.6
December	166.7	5.9	21.3	16.6	32.4	8.7
1956 Avg.	**168.6**	**5.9**	**22.2**	**16.9**	**32.4**	**9.0**
Jan. 1957	156.8	5.8	20.8	16.3	31.8	8.3
February	155.0	5.8	20.8	16.3	32.5	8.4
March	156.8	5.8	20.9	16.2	32.6	8.4
April	161.3	5.9	21.7	16.7	32.6	8.4
May	166.0	5.9	22.0	16.8	33.1	8.7
June	172.0	6.0	23.2	17.0	33.9	9.7
July	174.2	6.1	23.8	17.1	34.7	10.5
August	174.2	6.1	23.9	17.3	34.9	10.6
September	170.8	6.0	23.5	17.4	35.1	9.9
October	167.4	6.0	22.2	17.1	35.1	9.2
November	163.2	5.8	21.6	16.8	34.6	8.9
December	159.9	5.9	21.3	16.7	34.4	9.0
1957 Avg.	**164.8**	**5.9**	**22.1**	**16.8**	**33.8**	**9.2**
Jan. 1958	153.1	6.0	21.2	16.8		
February	150.3	6.0	20.9	16.6		
March	150.5	6.0	21.3	16.8		
April	156.4	6.0	21.9	17.1		
May	162.4	6.1	22.5	17.4		
June	167.1	6.2	23.3	17.3		
July	170.2	6.5	23.6	17.4		
August	172.2	6.5	23.7	17.4		
September	170.0	6.4	22.6	17.3		
October	168.8	6.3	21.9	17.1		
November	165.8	6.3	21.7	17.0		
December	162.4	6.3	21.5	16.9		
1958 Avg.	**162.4**	**6.2**	**22.2**	**17.1**		

Along the Hiring Line—Field Summary, March 1

in construction and trade industries. The lumber situation is expected to become more stable within the next 60 days as market conditions strengthen and spring building projects begin.

MILES CITY, Baker, Ekalaka, Broadus, Jordan, Terry—(667 jobseekers, 62 new, 570 men, 97 women). Economic outlook starting to brighten in light of good construction agenda. Included are new shopping center, bank, sewage disposal system, and highway project. Most skilled workers are expected to be absorbed in these projects. Unskilled and untrained workers will find it increasingly difficult to obtain employment. Main street merchants still in the hard grip of consumer resistance.

MISSOULA, Arlee, Drummond, Superior—(1,396 jobseekers, 410 new, 970 men, 426 women). Labor market conditions starting to emerge from winter lethargy. Demand for lumber products beginning to stabilize, but low prices keeping some mills from operating at capacity. Logging still slow due both to natural and economic forces. Increased hiring noted in trade units with one new firm providing employment for 25 workers.

POLSON—(538 jobseekers, 90 new, 443 men, 95 women). Nearly all logging operations shut down by load limits on roads and highways. Most area sawmills continue to operate on stock piled logs, but some smaller units closed temporarily. Good activity at plywood mill where 40 more full-time workers employed over last year. Sorting of seed potatoes, a usual February activity, below a year ago

SHELBY—(557 jobseekers, 101 new, 413 men, 144 women). Industry hiring below last year, but placement of farm workers up over 30%. Despite favorable weather, no major construction projects current; most have been completed and there are no new starts scheduled. Livestock feeding and rock picking comprise the major farm activities. March hiring is expected to increase as sheep shearing crews become more active.

SIDNEY—(397 jobseekers, 34 new, 353 men, 44 women). Main street business climate still weak after winter slowdown in most industries. Construction mainly in shape of new high school, county shops, and a few new homes. Crop prospects for dry land areas appear poor at this time.

THOMPSON FALLS, Hot Springs—(368 jobseekers, 37 new, 322 men, 46 women). A poor lumber market and load restrictions held back most logging operations during the month. Most mills on erratic schedules depending upon climatic and economic conditions. Construction of new Noxon school began early in March. Forest service operations starting earlier than usual due to mild weather.

WOLF POINT, Plentywood, Scobey—(549 jobseekers, 54 new, 458 men, 91 women). Area labor supply reduced as workers left the area when oil field exploration and drilling started to lessen. Number of active drilling rigs dropped from 6 to 4 during February, and two seismograph groups left the area. Construction employment down with the completion of most projects; no large projects in future. Trade employment slackened in smaller towns adjacent to Wolf Point.

ESTIMATED EMPLOYMENT IN NON-AGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES IN MONTANA (1)

(Compiled in co-operation with United States Bureau of Labor Statistics)

INDUSTRY	EMPLOYMENT			Net Change	
	Feb. 1961 (2)	Jan. 1961 (3)	Feb. 1960	Jan. '61 to Feb. '61	Feb. '60 to Feb. '61
NON-AGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES	159,800	160,900	152,500	— 1,100	7,300
Manufacturing	17,900	18,500	18,700	— 600	— 800
Durable goods	11,100	11,200	11,400	— 100	— 300
Lumber and timber products	6,000	6,100	7,200	— 100	— 1,200
Primary metals	3,700	3,700	2,800	00	900
Other (4)	1,400	1,400	1,400	00	00
Nondurable goods	6,800	7,300	7,300	— 500	— 500
Food and kindred products	3,800	4,300	3,800	— 500	00
Printing and publishing	1,600	1,600	1,600	00	00
Petroleum refining	900	900	900	00	00
Other (5)	500	500	1,000	00	— 500
Mining	7,600	7,600	4,900	00	2,700
Metal mining	4,600	4,600	2,200	00	2,400
Coal, quarrying and nonmetallic	700	700	700	00	00
Petroleum-natural gas production	2,300	2,300	2,000	00	300
Contract Construction	10,000	10,100	6,900	— 100	3,100
Contractors, building construction	4,000	4,200	2,700	— 200	1,300
Contractors, other than building	2,000	1,600	1,200	400	800
Contractors, special trade	4,000	4,300	3,000	— 300	1,000
Transportation and utilities	18,100	18,100	18,400	00	— 300
Interstate railroads	8,300	8,300	8,700	00	— 400
Transportation except railroads	3,900	3,900	3,800	00	100
Utilities including communication	5,900	5,900	5,900	00	00
Trade	39,000	39,200	38,100	— 200	900
Wholesale trade	8,400	8,500	8,500	— 100	— 100
Retail trade	30,600	30,700	29,600	— 100	1,000
General merchandise and apparel	5,600	5,800	5,400	— 200	200
Food stores	5,100	5,000	4,600	100	500
Eating and drinking establishments	6,900	6,900	6,800	00	100
Automotive and filling stations	6,500	6,500	6,300	00	200
Retail trade not elsewhere classified	6,500	6,500	6,500	00	00
Finance, insurance and real estate	6,800	6,800	6,700	00	100
Services and miscellaneous	21,500	21,400	21,900	100	— 400
Hotels, rooming houses, camps, etc	2,200	2,100	2,400	100	— 200
Personal services	2,100	2,100	2,100	00	00
Other (6)	17,200	17,200	17,400	00	— 200
Government	38,900	39,200	36,900	— 300	2,000
Federal	9,000	9,200	8,600	— 200	400
State and local	29,900	30,000	28,300	— 100	1,600
Great Falls Area (Cascade County)	20,300	20,300	18,400	00	1,900
Manufacturing	3,000	3,000	1,800	00	1,200
Contract construction	1,800	1,900	1,300	00	500
Transportation and utilities	1,900	1,800	2,000	00	— 100
Trade, wholesale and retail	5,500	5,500	5,400	00	100
Services and miscellaneous (7)	4,600	4,600	4,500	00	100
Government	3,500	3,500	3,400	00	100

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Along the Hiring Line—Field Summary, March 1

in construction and trade industries. The lumber situation is expected to become more stable within the next 60 days as market conditions strengthen and spring building projects begin.

MILES CITY, Baker, Ekalaka, Broadus, Jordan, Terry—(667 jobseekers, 62 new, 570 men, 97 women). Economic outlook starting to brighten in light of good construction agenda. Included are new shopping center, bank, sewage disposal system, and highway project. Most skilled workers are expected to be absorbed in these projects. Unskilled and untrained workers will find it increasingly difficult to obtain employment. Main street merchants still in the hard grip of consumer resistance.

MISSOULA, Arlee, Drummond, Superior—(1,396 jobseekers, 410 new, 970 men, 426 women). Labor market conditions starting to emerge from winter lethargy. Demand for lumber products beginning to stabilize, but low prices keeping some mills from operating at capacity. Logging still slow due both to natural and economic forces. Increased hiring noted in trade units with one new firm providing employment for 25 workers.

POLSON—(538 jobseekers, 90 new, 443 men, 95 women). Nearly all logging operations shut down by load limits on roads and highways. Most area sawmills continue to operate on stock piled logs, but some smaller units closed temporarily. Good activity at plywood mill where 40 more full-time workers employed over last year. Sorting of seed potatoes, a usual February activity, below a year ago

SHELBY—(557 jobseekers, 101 new, 413 men, 144 women). Industry hiring below last year, but placement of farm workers up over 30%. Despite favorable weather, no major construction projects current; most have been completed and there are no new starts scheduled. Livestock feeding and rock picking comprise the major farm activities. March hiring is expected to increase as sheep shearing crews become more active.

SIDNEY—(397 jobseekers, 34 new, 353 men, 44 women). Main street business climate still weak after winter slowdown in most industries. Construction mainly in shape of new high school, county shops, and a few new homes. Crop prospects for dry land areas appear poor at this time.

THOMPSON FALLS, Hot Springs—(368 jobseekers, 37 new, 322 men, 46 women). A poor lumber market and load restrictions held back most logging operations during the month. Most mills on erratic schedules depending upon climatic and economic conditions. Construction of new Noxon school began early in March. Forest service operations starting earlier than usual due to mild weather.

WOLF POINT, Plentywood, Scobey—(549 jobseekers, 54 new, 458 men, 91 women). Area labor supply reduced as workers left the area when oil field exploration and drilling started to lessen. Number of active drilling rigs dropped from 6 to 4 during February, and two seismograph groups left the area. Construction employment down with the completion of most projects; no large projects in future. Trade employment slackened in smaller towns adjacent to Wolf Point.

ESTIMATED EMPLOYMENT IN NON-AGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES IN MONTANA (1)

(Compiled in co-operation with United States Bureau of Labor Statistics)

INDUSTRY	EMPLOYMENT			Net Change	
	Feb. 1961 (2)	Jan. 1961 (3)	Feb. 1960	Jan. '61 to Feb. '61	Feb. '60 to Feb. '61
NON-AGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES	159,800	160,900	152,500	— 1,100	7,300
Manufacturing	17,900	18,500	18,700	— 600	— 800
Durable goods	11,100	11,200	11,400	— 100	— 300
Lumber and timber products	6,000	6,100	7,200	— 100	— 1,200
Primary metals	3,700	3,700	2,800	00	900
Other (4)	1,400	1,400	1,400	00	00
Nondurable goods	6,800	7,300	7,300	— 500	— 500
Food and kindred products	3,800	4,300	3,800	— 500	00
Printing and publishing	1,600	1,600	1,600	00	00
Petroleum refining	900	900	900	00	00
Other (5)	500	500	1,000	00	— 500
Mining	7,600	7,600	4,900	00	2,700
Metal mining	4,600	4,600	2,200	00	2,400
Coal, quarrying and nonmetallic	700	700	700	00	00
Petroleum-natural gas production	2,300	2,300	2,000	00	300
Contract Construction	10,000	10,100	6,900	— 100	3,100
Contractors, building construction	4,000	4,200	2,700	— 200	1,300
Contractors, other than building	2,000	1,600	1,200	400	800
Contractors, special trade	4,000	4,300	3,000	— 300	1,000
Transportation and utilities	18,100	18,100	18,400	00	— 300
Interstate railroads	8,300	8,300	8,700	00	— 400
Transportation except railroads	3,900	3,900	3,800	00	100
Utilities including communication	5,900	5,900	5,900	00	00
Trade	39,000	39,200	38,100	— 200	900
Wholesale trade	8,400	8,500	8,500	— 100	— 100
Retail trade	30,600	30,700	29,600	— 100	1,000
General merchandise and apparel	5,600	5,800	5,400	— 200	200
Food stores	5,100	5,000	4,600	100	500
Eating and drinking establishments	6,900	6,900	6,800	00	100
Automotive and filling stations	6,500	6,500	6,300	00	200
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Finance, insurance and real estate	6,800	6,800	6,700	00	100
Services and miscellaneous	21,500	21,400	21,900	100	— 400
Hotels, rooming houses, camps, etc.	2,200	2,100	2,400	100	— 200
Personal services	2,100	2,100	2,100	00	00
Other (6)	17,200	17,200	17,400	00	— 200
Government	38,900	39,200	36,900	— 300	2,000
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Manufacturing	3,000	3,000	1,800	00	1,200
Contract construction	1,800	1,900	1,300	00	500
Transportation and utilities	1,900	1,800	2,000	00	— 100
Trade, wholesale and retail	5,500	5,500	5,400	00	100
Services and miscellaneous (7)	4,600	4,600	4,500	00	100
Government	3,500	3,500	3,400	00	100

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COMPARISON OF BASIC LABOR MARKET ACTIVITIES IN FEB. 1961 AND FEB. 1960

Employment Service Office	New Job Applicants				Jobseekers in File				Job Placement								UI Claims* Wk. 3-3	
	Feb. 1961		Feb. 1960		Feb. 1961		Feb. 1960		Feb. 1961				Feb. 1960					
	Tot.	Vet.	Tot.	Vet.	Tot.	Vet.	Tot.	Vet.	Ind.	Ag.	Tot.	Vet.	Ind.	Ag.	Tot.	Vet.	1961	1960
Anaconda	57	5	107	28	699	104	703	182	13	6	19	5	17	6	23	6	670	408
Billings	605	132	662	163	3,791	830	3,361	993	343	56	399	142	259	53	312	96	2,911	2,698
Bozeman	107	21	181	48	669	159	725	210	106	27	133	39	118	31	149	46	455	436
Butte	123	19	377	89	2,682	685	2,388	718	61	9	70	17	49	13	62	15	1,932	1,686
Cut Bank	74	23	90	26	454	162	595	206	23	129	152	38	22	2	24	9	404	468
Dillon	68	24	74	14	348	85	322	86	23	31	54	23	19	38	57	18	228	210
Glasgow	103	12	114	34	951	170	894	285	85	2	87	17	75	56	131	57	845	798
Glendive	59	12	126	24	350	94	412	106	44	2	46	17	31	7	38	17	307	313
Great Falls	581	147	497	140	3,098	927	3,538	1,216	205	183	388	46	153	140	293	45	2,162	2,214
Hamilton	49	7	45	6	685	170	595	168	17	10	27	3	16	13	29	14	569	448
Havre	53	15	169	45	694	208	767	264	59	28	87	24	78	20	98	29	579	674
Helena	170	50	223	50	1,095	360	1,023	340	105	5	110	23	160	8	168	44	905	809
Kalispell	153	29	291	82	2,198	554	2,272	670	61	5	66	13	107	8	115	35	2,408	2,120
Lewistown	96	24	72	17	546	168	400	132	43	22	65	16	37	23	60	23	330	349
Livingston	90	23	45	18	713	166	568	129	47	3	50	14	23	3	26	7	609	595
Miles City	62	10	92	15	667	149	397	115	34	15	49	13	41	20	61	33	572	494
Missoula	410	62	429	127	1,396	390	1,549	433	112	10	122	29	143	10	153	48	1,418	256
Polson	90	44	74	17	538	158	514	160	17	2	19	7	49	27	76	35	528	544
Shelby	101	29	75	16	557	155	480	164	42	186	228	33	50	49	99	28	439	393
Sidney	34	10	69	14	397	98	447	116	20	10	30	12	28	14	42	16	382	372
Thomp. Falls	37	5	81	25	368	115	398	119	12	....	12	4	25	2	27	11	383	390
Wolf Point	54	7	79	19	549	144	718	213	31	1	32	9	20	3	23	4	504	531
TOTALS	3,176	710	3,972	1,017	23,445	6,051	23,066	7,025	1,503	742	2,245	544	1,520	546	2,066	636	19,540	18,206

*Include 738 claims of the Federal UC Program 668 same a year ago.

AVERAGE HOURS AND EARNINGS IN SELECTED MONTANA INDUSTRIES

(Produced in co-operation with United States Bureau of Labor Statistics)
(Hours and earnings data exclude administrative and salaried personnel)

INDUSTRY	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Feb.(1) 1961	Jan.(2) 1961	Feb. 1960	Feb.(1) 1961	Jan.(2) 1961	Feb. 1960	Feb.(1) 1961	Jan.(2) 1961	Feb. 1960
All Manufacturing	$ 93.61	$ 94.75	$ 96.87	37.9	37.9	39.7	$ 2.47	$ 2.50	$ 2.44
Durable goods	86.16	89.55	96.46	35.9	36.7	40.7	2.40	2.44	2.37
Primary metals	101.91	98.60	100.61	40.6	39.6	40.9	2.51	2.49	2.46
Nondurable goods	100.73	94.94	97.92	39.5	36.8	38.1	2.55	2.58	2.57
Food and kindred products	87.99	78.75	84.59	41.9	36.8	39.9	2.10	2.14	2.12
All Mining	103.34	106.23	110.68	39.9	40.7	41.3	2.59	2.61	2.68
Metal mining	101.38	104.41	3)	38.4	39.4	3)	2.64	2.65	3)
Transportation and Utilities (except Rys.)	100.91	99.06	94.81						
Transportation (except railroads)	108.27	107.46	107.59						
Utilities and communication	95.47	93.30	86.46	40.8	39.2	38.6	2.34	2.38	2.24

(1) Preliminary estimates. (2) Figures previously released have been revised on more complete returns. (3) Data not available due to strike in metal mining a year ago.

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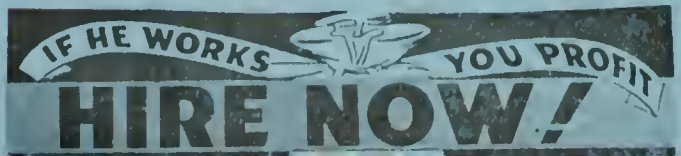

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